

DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENT and NATURAL RESOURCES

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October 6, 2020

Kyle Kramer Kramer Farms 408 3rd Ave S, #149 Brookings, SD 57006

Re:

Revised Phosphorus-Based Nutrient Management Plan (NMP)

Dear Mr. Kramer:

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) received a landowner request to remove the fields listed in the following table from your approved phosphorus-based nutrient management plan (NMP). Your existing phosphorus-based NMP is part of your application for coverage under the 2003 General Water Pollution Control Permit for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (general permit). Your animal feeding operation was originally approved on November 20, 1997, and permitted on November 12, 1998, (general permit # SDG-0100134).

| Fields Being Removed from NMP | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| Field # | County | Legal Description | Available Acres | Soil Sampling Requirements | |
| | | | | 0-2 feet | Additional |
| 1 | Brookings | S 1/2, Sec. 6, T110N, R47W | 259.0 | Yes | No |
| 2 | Brookings | NW 1/4, Sec. 8, T110N, R47W | 112.6 | Yes | No |
| 4 | Brookings | NE ¼, Sec. 7, T110N, R47W | 129.7 | Yes | No |

We are approving the modifications and are removing Fields 1, 2, and 4 from your approved phosphorus-based NMP. With the removal of these fields, you do not have adequate land available in your NMP to meet the permit requirements. Please put one copy of the approved field information in Appendix D of your copy of the permit. You are required to comply with the terms and conditions of your permit.

We received your permit application for state permit coverage under the 2017 General Water Pollution Control Permit for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (2017 general permit) on January 23, 2019. However, we have also received a Transfer of Ownership form indicating your operation has been sold to Christensen Farms & Feedlots, Inc. Christensen Farms & Feedlots, Inc. has indicated that the barns have been depopulated to allow for the upper structures of the barns to be reconstructed, a new nutrient management plan is in the process of being developed, and the barns will not be repopulated until the permit is transferred and state permit coverage under the 2017 general permit is granted. Until adequate land is available, or coverage is granted under the 2017 general permit, the barns cannot be populated, and the deep pits cannot be used to store manure or wastewater.

You are also responsible for contacting the local planning and zoning office in the county where manure application will take place to determine if there are any local ordinances or requirements with which you need to comply.

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The land application sites must be located at least 150 feet from a private well owned by you, 250 feet from a private well not owned by you and 1,000 feet from any public supply well or other public drinking water source. These setback distances from identified wells cannot be included as part of the land application acreage. Buffer zones are also required around any natural or manmade drainages or wetlands. Please review the buffer zone requirements on the land application maps included with the nutrient management plan in Appendix D of your permit prior to land applying manure.

To add fields to your approved phosphorus-based NMP, you must submit the required information for each additional field to the department for our review and approval. Information on adding fields to your approved phosphorus-based NMP may be obtained from your local Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) office. You may also contact us for assistance at (605) 773-3351, or visit our website at http://denr.sd.gov/des/fp/fieldadditions.aspx for instructions on adding fields. You may not apply manure to any fields not included in your approved phosphorus-based NMP.

If manure application will involve placing hoses or other equipment in a state highway right of way (for example, in a road ditch or through a culvert), you must first obtain a Permit to Occupy Right of Way. Application for this permit may be made through the local South Dakota Department of Transportation area office. Contact your local SD DOT area office for more information on this permit. In addition, please contact your county highway superintendent to determine if your county has similar requirements.

One copy of the field removal request information is being retained for our files. The attached field list is an updated listing of the fields that are currently approved for manure or wastewater application. The attached map shows the location of each field. Please review this information and notify the department if any of the information is incorrect. If the enclosed field list and map are correct, please place them in your NMP.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please feel free to contact Spencer Van Overbeke, Feedlot Permit Program at (605) 773-3351. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Paul N. Wegleitner

Natural Resources Project Engineer

Feedlot Permit Program

Adam Barka, Christensen Farms & Feedlots, Inc. P.O. Box 3000, Sleepy Eye, MN 56085

Brookings County Commissioners

Kevin Banken, Centrol, Brookings, SD

Enclosures:

cc:

Field List

Field Map